

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 7229

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served June 4, 2003

WILLIAM E. GILLISON, Trading as)
QUIANA TOURS, WMATC No. 290,)
QUIANA TOURS, INC., and BARON)
TRANSPORTATION, INC., WMATC)
No. 33, Investigation of)
Unauthorized Operations and)
Violation of Regulations)
Governing Vehicle Identification)
and Leases)

Case No. MP-2002-97

This matter is before the Commission to determine whether Certificate No. 290 shall be suspended or revoked for Gillison's willful failure to comply with Order No. 5359 and Regulation No. 61.

During the course of this investigation, Gillison was found to have knowingly and willfully violated the directive in Order No. 5359, served June 25, 1998, that Gillison cease doing business under the name "Quiana Tours, Inc."¹ Gillison also was found to have knowingly and willfully violated Regulation No. 61 by displaying markings on his vehicles at a height of two inches or less.² We assessed civil forfeitures for the past violations and directed Gillison to show cause why Certificate 290 should not be suspended or revoked to prevent future violations.³

Gillison paid the forfeitures on March 26, 2003, and furnished proof of current compliance with Order No. 5359 on April 2, 2003. Gillison has submitted no proof, however, of current compliance with Regulation No. 61.⁴ Accordingly, we shall suspend Certificate No. 290

¹ In re William E. Gillison, t/a Quiana Tours, Quiana Tours, Inc., & Baron Transp., Inc., No. MP-02-97, Order No. 7066 (Mar. 4, 2003).

² Id.

³ Id.

⁴ Regulation No. 61 was amended on April 11, 2003, to: (1) allow each carrier the choice of displaying the carrier's legal name or WMATC approved trade name; (2) allow omission of the vehicle owner's name; (3) require that the phrase "operated by" precede the carrier's name if another name also appears on the vehicle; (4) place the burden on carriers to establish that markings less than two and one-half inches in height meet the legibility standard; (5) restrict the use of

and give Gillison thirty days to show cause why Certificate No. 290 should not be revoked.

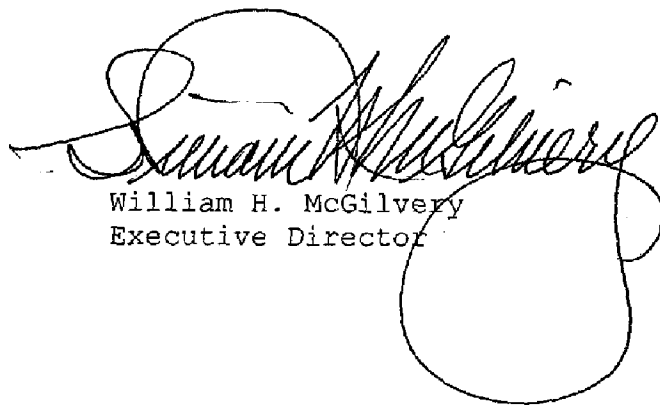
THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That Certificate No. 290 is hereby suspended for Gillison's willful failure to demonstrate compliance with Regulation No. 61 as directed by Order No. 7066.

2. That Gillison shall have thirty days to show cause why the Commission should not revoke Certificate No. 290 for willful failure to comply with Regulation No. 61.

3. That Gillison may file within 15 days from the date of this order a request for oral hearing specifying the grounds for the request, describing the evidence to be adduced and explaining why such evidence cannot be adduced without an oral hearing.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION; COMMISSIONERS YATES, MILLER, AND MCDONALD:



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removable displays on leased vehicles to short-term rentals; and (6) expressly bar the application of federal marking requirements that otherwise would apply through Regulation No. 64. In re Rulemaking to Amend Reg. No. 61 & Reg. No. 62, No. MP-03-08, Order No. 7132 (Apr. 11, 2003).